Guide to Manuscripts

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INTRODUCTION

Entry descriptions in this volume are arranged alphabetically, and include the following types of information: entry number, name of collection, inclusive dates, volume of material, biographical information in the case of personal manuscript collections, or, organizational description in the case of corporate records, types of materials to be found in the collection, subject areas covered, and listing of the major correspondents. When applicable, entries also indicate the source of copied material, the existence of unpublished finding aids to collections in the library, and the terms of restrictions on closed materials.

The arrangement of collections alphabetically represents a departure from the 1963 Guide. That volume had a classified arrangement which brought together collections of personal papers, church records, University of Michigan archives, and other corporate record groups. The present alphabetical arrangement blurs somewhat the distinctions between archives and personal manuscripts, but the editors hoped that the change would simplify the process of locating material.

To aid the local history researcher, which was a major objective of this guide, the entries indicate the residence, both city and county, of the collector of materials, as well as the cities and counties covered by the materials themselves. Users of this guide should assume that every place name listed is in Michigan unless otherwise indicated. As a further aid to the local historian, corporate collections, such as church records, fraternal organizations, and local businesses, appear in the guide first by name of locale, and then by the name of the organization (e.g. Ann Arbor. First Congregational Church).

The index to the guide is extensive, including Michigan cities and counties mentioned in the entries, general and specific subject categories, and significant correspondents. University of Michigan material appears under the heading "Michigan. University." Michigan townships will be found first by name of county and then by the name of the specific township. Non-Michigan locales have been indexed only by name of state or foreign country, and not under the name of particular cities or counties. Exceptions to this rule are Chicago, Illinois and Washington, D.C., about which the library has important holdings.

In preparing the guide, the compilers examined most of the collections listed in the 1963 Guide. As a result of this examination and because of the desire to hold down the size of the present volume, the decision was made to delete descriptions for certain types of material. Such material included doctoral theses, university student research papers on Michigan themes, and collections consisting almost entirely of receipts, deeds, newspaper clippings, poetry, or autographs. The guide also omits descriptions for the library's large and important collection of Michigan related books, pamphlets, maps, broadsides, and such audio-visual material as photographs, motion picture film, video-tapes, phonograph records, and audio-tapes.

This volume is but part of the library's total publications program. The Bentley Library frequently issues more detailed information about its major collections and collecting themes. Subject bibliographies have thus far covered the library's holdings of temperance and prohibition, conservation, journalism, black history, pacifism, and women's history materials; and the library's bulletin series has presented interpretative studies of the life and papers of James K. Pollock, Wilber M. Brucker, and Arthur H. Vandenberg, as well as a bibliographical summary of the contribution of Michigan to the history of the Philippine Islands, and a detailed description of the records of the Detroit Urban League. Most of these publications are available upon request from the library. The library also issues a "Guide to the Use of the Bentley Historical Library", the purpose of which is to acquaint its researchers with the library's rules and services.

The researcher is further encouraged to write ahead if he or she desires additional information about a collection, has a question concerning access privileges to a restricted collection, or plans in the future to visit the library.

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Union School in Ann Arbor and later at The University of Michigan, and comments on teaching, church activities, and personal reading.

2911. STILES, JOHN RICHARDSON (1916-).
Papers, 1958-1965. 3 feet. Grand Rapids (Kent County) businessman and Republican campaign official. Correspondence, reports, newspaper clippings and campaign materials concerning the Warren Commissions investigation of the assassination of President John F. Kennedy, the writing of the book, Portrait of the Assassin with Gerald Ford, and his activities as campaign manager for Paul Bagwell for governor in 1958, and as field director of the Richard Nixon for President campaign in 1960.
Unpublished guide in the library.

2912. STOCKING, CHARLES HOWARD
Manuscript article, undated. 13 pages. Professor of Pharmacy at The University of Michigan. Paper entitled, "A History of Pharmacy at The University of Michigan."

2913. STOCKWELL, MADELON LOUISA (1845-1924)
Correspondence, 1918-1921. 20 items. First woman student at The University of Michigan. Letters from Edwin I. Ayer pertaining to round robin letters of The University of Michigan Class of 1872 and Stockwell's reply, 1919, in the form of reminiscences.

2914. STODDARD, ASA WILLIAMS (1790-1868)
Papers, 1838-1862. 8 items [typescript copies]. Resident of Tuscola County. Family letters of various members of the Stoddard family, including a letter, 1838, describing conditions around Plymouth (Wayne County) and biographical sketch of Asa Stoddard prepared in 1942.

2915. STODDARD, JOHN PARKER (1835-1935)
Paper, 1930. 1 item. Student at The University of Michigan. Reminiscences of the University and President Henry P. Tappan.

2916. STODDARD, MRS. LYNN
Papers, 1956-1957. 4 items. Reminiscences and history of the settlement of Assyria Township, Barry County.

2917. STONE, JAMES ANDRUS BLINN (1810-1888)
Letters, 1860. 3 items [typewritten copies]. President of Kalamazoo College. Letters to his sons written while he was traveling in Europe, including mention of Andrew Ten Brook, the library for Kalamazoo College, and the casting of the capitol doors by Randolph Rogers.

2918. STONE, RALPH (1868-1956)
Papers, 1895-1955. 1-1/3 feet and 16 v. Officer of the Detroit (Wayne County) Trust Company and Regent of The University of Michigan. Correspondence, speeches, manuscripts, and other papers, relating to various activities connected with the University, particularly athletics, alumni activities, Board of Regents, University Development Council, student publications, and other publications, particularly Michigan and the Cleveland Era; also correspondence and papers relating to Alien Property Custodian in World War I, Detroit city government, recollections of Hazen Pingree and Chase S. Osborn, genealogical material, and sixteen volumes of scrapbooks of newspaper clippings on Stone and his father, six of which deal with Governor Hazen Pingree's administration. Correspondents include: Earl D. Babst, Alan McCarthy, John C. Rolfe, Alexander G. Ruthven, Shirley W. Smith, T. Hawley Tapping, and Arthur H. Vandenberg.
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2919. STONEMAN, WILLIAM HARLAN (1904-)
Papers, 1928-1974. 6 feet. Reporter for the Chicago Daily News, foreign correspondent in Scandinavia, 1928-1929, Rome 1929-1931, Moscow, 1931-1935, Ethiopia, 1935-1936, London, 1936-1946, 1958-1968, and Paris, 1968. Correspondence, scrapbooks, photograph albums, and other material concerning his newspaper career, especially his reporting of the war in Ethiopia, the outbreak of war in France, 1939-1940, and the "Hungarian Rebellion" of 1956. Correspondents include: Joseph Alsop, Charles Bohlen, David Bruce, John Cowles, E. Clifton Daniel, John Gunther, Frank Knox, Trygve Lie, Edgar A. Mowrer, James V. Sheean, William Shirer, Adlai Stevenson, and Arthur Sylvester.
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2920. STONEY CREEK (WASHTENAW COUNTY). PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.
Records, 1833-1904. 3 v. and 1 item. Located in Augusta Township. Minutes and membership rolls: constitution and minutes of the Presbyterian Society, 1835-1888, and of the Female Benevolent Society, 1835-1840.

2921. STRANG, JAMES JESSE (1813-1856)
Papers, 1851-1852. 2 items [photostatic copies]. Mormon leader on Beaver Island. Letter to Governor John S. Barry requesting protection for the Mormons on Beaver Island; and indenture deeding some land on Beaver Island to Strang.

2922. STRAUSS, LOUIS A.
Papers, 1928-1933. 80 items. Professor of English at the University of Michigan. Letters exchanged